

ART CURRICULUM INTENT STATEMENT

"Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them" – (Romans 12:6-7)

"Learning in art provides pupils with a unique way of perceiving themselves and the world which is not taught in other areas of the school curriculum and which is essential to basic education." - (Art for ages 5 to 14 DESI'WO 1991)

Art education should make an essential contribution to a child's development, affording each pupil the opportunity to explore his or her environment imaginatively, aesthetically, creatively and practically. It has a unique role to play, therefore, in a child's intellectual and emotional development.

The aims of Art in the curriculum are to give pupils the opportunity.

- to develop their skills of observation, through which they can learn about the world in which they live
- to foster the capacity for imaginative and original thought and experimentation
- to develop an ability to record visual imaginative and original thought and experimentation
- to develop an ability to record visual images and through these express ideas and feelings
- to sustain an idea or theme through sequential development
- to develop technical skills i.e. drawing, painting, three dimensional work and ICT
- to collaborate effectively with others in making art
- to develop an ability to evaluate and modify both their own and the work of others
- to appreciate and respond thoughtfully to a variety of art and artefacts